Amendments to the Claims:

Without prejudice, this listing of the claims replaces all prior versions and listings of the claims in the present application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for providing dynamic memory management of a memory device, the method comprising:

providing a first memory block in the memory device; storing a startup program in the first memory block; providing additional memory blocks; and connecting the first memory block and the additional memory blocks by a chained list; wherein the memory device is checked before the chained list is executed upon checking the memory device and the startup program obtains data for a check from the additional memory blocks.

- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the checking is performed using an addition checksum.
- 3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the checking is performed by a cyclic block backup.
- 4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the checking is performed at a time of booting a system that includes the first memory block and the additional memory blocks.
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the checking is performed in the background during operation of a system that includes the first memory block and the additional memory blocks.
- 6. (Currently Amended) A memory device, comprising:
 - a first memory block to store a startup program; and additional memory blocks to store data for a check;

wherein the first memory block and the additional memory blocks are connected by a chained list wherein the memory device is checked before the chained list is executed and the startup program obtains data for a check from the additional memory blocks.

7. (Original) The memory device of claim 6, wherein each of the additional memory blocks includes an information area that stores information on the memory block itself and a checking area that stores information for performing the check.

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- 8. (Currently Amended) A system, comprising:
 - a computing unit;
 - a memory device including a first memory block to store a startup program; and additional memory blocks to store data for a check;

wherein the first memory block and the additional memory blocks are connected by a chained list, wherein the memory device is checked before the chained list is executed and the startup program obtains data for a check from the additional memory blocks.

- 9. (Original) The system of claim 8, wherein the memory device includes a non-volatile memory module.
- 10. (Original) The system of claim 8, wherein the computing unit includes an embedded microcontroller.
- 11. (Canceled)

list;

12. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable storage medium including program code for providing dynamic memory management of a memory device, the program code being executable in a computing arrangement to perform the following:

providing a first memory block in the memory device; storing a startup program in the first memory block; providing additional memory blocks; and connecting the first memory block and the additional memory blocks by a chained

wherein the <u>memory device</u> is checked before the chained list is executed upon checking the memory device and the startup program obtains data for a check from the additional memory blocks.

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